

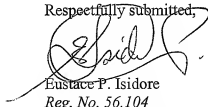
REMARKS

This amendment is submitted pursuant to a telephonic conference between Examiner(s) and Applicants' representative on July 11, 2007. During that conference, Examiner(s) and Applicants agreed to certain amendments, which would place the claims in condition for allowance (subject to a further review). Accordingly, Applicants have amended the claims, incorporating into each independent claim subject matter which Examiner had indicated during the conference would make the claims allowable.

Applicants are not conceding in this application that the independent claims and their dependent claims, as originally presented, are not patentable over the art cited by the Examiner. The present claim amendments and/or cancellations are made only for facilitating expeditious prosecution of subject matter indicated as allowable over the references. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to pursue these original claims and other claims in one or more continuations and/or divisional patent applications.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney of record at 512.343.6116 if such would further or expedite the prosecution of the present Application.

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